

AGENDA ITEM 34

Consider approving an interlocal agreement with city of Georgetown for construction of the 30 inch water line along Cedar Breaks Rd.

No action was taken on this item, which will be added to the April 24, 2001 agenda.

AGENDA ITEM 35

Consider approving contract with Evercom Systems, Inc for new inmate telephone system.

No action was taken on this item, which will be added to the April 24, 2001 agenda.

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Information Technology Services

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INTEROFFICE MEMO

April 6, 2001

To: Judge John Doerfler
From: J. Jay Schade - Director, Information Technology Services
Subject: Inmate Telephone system

Judge,

I am enclosing a contract between Evercom Systems, Inc and Williamson County for a new Inmate Telephone System.

On Wednesday, April 4, 2001, Chief Harrell, Bill Bingham and I met with Evercom Systems concerning upgrading our inmate telephone system at the jail. Evercom is the vendor for our current inmate phone system and they would like to upgrade that system with new equipment and new technology. The new system will offer many more features to help the Sheriff's office monitor, track and block calls as well as research possible criminal activity by an inmate that might take place via the phone system (for example, drug-trafficking or witness harassment). It will also be a system that can easily handle the added phones that will result from the jail expansion. Chief Harrell has been talking to Evercom for about the last 12 months and would like to get this system implemented as soon as possible.

What will it cost, you ask? From a monetary standpoint, it will cost Williamson County absolutely nothing. We will be getting exactly the same commission (50%) as we currently receive and the cost per phone call for the inmates will remain the same as well. What Evercom would like from us that we don't have currently is a 3-year contract for them to provide the inmate telephone system. Currently, and for the past 3 years, we have simply operated on a month-to-month basis. The 3-year contract is simply so they can be sure they will recoup their cost of installing and providing the system. Once we sign the agreement, the new system will be in place in 45-60 days.

I recommend that we enter into this 3-year agreement. It will greatly benefit the Sheriff's office at no cost to the county.

Let me know if you have any questions or comments.

Thank you.

AGENDA ITEM 36

Consider declaring an emergency and approving a budget amendment from cash ending balance for:
0100-0570-003314 Care of Prisoners \$300,000.00

Moved: **Judge Doerfler**

Seconded: **Commissioner Boatright**

Motion: To declare an emergency and to approve a budget amendment from cash ending balance for:
0100-0570-003314 Care of Prisoners \$300,000.00

Vote: **4 – 0** with Commissioner Heiligenstein absent from the dais.

AGENDA ITEM 37

Discuss and take any appropriate action on jail/courthouse annex expansion.

County Attorney Gene Taylor requested that this item be taken into consideration in Executive Session.

No action was taken on this agenda item.

AGENDA ITEM 38

Consider approving contract with Turner Collie & Braden, Inc. for Parmer Lane from FM 1431 to SH 29.

Moved: **Commissioner Hays**

Seconded: **Commissioner Boatright**

Motion: To approve contract with Turner Collie & Braden, Inc. for Parmer Lane from FM 1431 to SH 29.

Vote: **5 - 0**

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